



## **Minutes Tempe Veterans Commission July 06, 2021**

**Minutes of the TEMPE VETERANS COMMISSION held on Tuesday, July 6, 6:00 p.m., via Microsoft Teams.**

**(MEMBERS) Present:**

Jeremy Farr, Chair  
Michelle Loposky  
Phillip Kraft  
Chantele Carr  
Timothy Rogers

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

Abe McCann, Vice-Chair  
William "Bill" Blair  
Celia Sadhu  
Alfred Trevino

**Staff Present:**

Octavia Harris, Deputy Human Services Director

**Guests Present:**

**Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order**

Chair Jeremy Farr called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

**Agenda Item 2 – Attendance**

**Agenda Item 3 – Public Appearances**

**Agenda Item 4 – Review and Approval of June 01, 2021 Minutes**

Minutes not approved due to lack of quorum

**Agenda Item 5 – Chair's Remarks**

Chair Jeremy Farr welcomed everyone and thanked commission members for their efforts and contributions.

### **Agenda Item 6 – Update on Veterans Upward Bound Program**

Guest speaker did not attend

### **Agenda Item 10 – Commission Member Updates/Announcements**

Michelle Lopusky informs the Commission that ASU classes are scheduled to begin in person classes. The ten year anniversary of the Pat Tillman's Center is slated for August 16th, will be celebrated by an event at Sun Devil Stadium and encouraging students to visit the new center. Michelle informs the Commission that she was promoted to director. Tim Rogers shares that Care 7's Mental Care Response Team will launch officially in 90 days. Jeremy reminds Commission members of resources available to Arizona residents through the Murph which is available via application. Jeremy to send information to Octavia Harris. Octavia Harris to ask Tim Gomez to send link for Veterans Banners to post to the Veterans Webpage. Michelle informs the Commission that Salute to Service is set to occur November 1-11th. Football game scheduled for November 6th. Tim Rogers informs the Commission that he was unable to make headway with AZ Department of Veterans services, the VA was initially responsive to Tim to circle back about filling the seat. Octavia Harris informs the Commission that there is an RFP process for additional congregate shelter, which is a strategy for getting people temporarily housed, RFP to close at the end of the week.

### **Agenda Item 11 – Future Agenda Items – August 3, 2021**

- Mayor Woods as future guest speaker
- Survey
- Annual Report
- Mentoring Program
- Status of Commission roles

### **Agenda Item 10 – Adjournment**

**Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.**

Next meeting will be on August 3, 2021

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Reviewed by Octavia Harris

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Jeremy Farr, Chair  
Tempe Veterans Commission